

REMARKS

Claims 6, 8, 9, and 19-24 are pending. Claims 1-5, 7, and 10-18 were canceled previously. In the present amendment, Applicants cancel claim 20 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein, and amend claims 8, 19, and 22 as described below. Following entry of the present amendment, claims 6, 8, 9, 19, and 21-24 are pending and under examination.

Independent claims 8 and 22 have each been amended without prejudice or disclaimer to delete the language “a cell differentiated from a stem cell, a tissue differentiated from a stem cell tissue, and a nucleus differentiated from a stem cell nucleus.” Claim 22 has also been amended without prejudice or disclaimer to delete the language “a cell differentiated from embryonic stem cell,” and a “cell differentiated from trophoblast stem cell.” In addition, claim 19 has been amended without prejudice or disclaimer to delete the language “a cell differentiated from an embryonic stem cell, a tissue differentiated from an embryonic stem cell tissue, or a nucleus differentiated from an embryonic stem cell nucleus.”

No new matter has been added.

Applicant's Statement of Interview Summary

The undersigned thanks Examiner Jerry Lin for the courtesy of the telephone interview on March 16, 2007. The undersigned and the Examiner discussed claim 8 in view of the specification and the prior art. The Examiner acknowledged that use of the term “differentiating” is helpful. Examiner Lin also suggested further amending the claims to delete certain language.

Response

Solely to expedite prosecution, and without acquiescing to the Examiner's contentions, Applicants have amended the claims to delete certain language as indicated above, in accordance with the Examiner's recommendations and without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully assert that the application is in condition for allowance and request the timely issuance of a Notice of Allowance. If the Examiner does not consider the claims allowable, the undersigned requests that, prior to taking action, the Examiner call her at (650) 849-6749 to set up an interview.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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